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## **County of Los Angeles Realignment Strategy**

A critical component of the Governor's proposed FY 2011-12 State budget is the Realignment Proposal that seeks to address the State's structural deficit by shifting responsibility for certain programs and services to counties along with dedicated revenue sources to pay for them.

The Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors has consistently articulated its commitment to working with the Governor and the Legislature in developing solutions for the restructuring of the State-County relationship. Considering the Governor's goal to approve the realignment framework by March 7, it is imperative that the County of Los Angeles (County) focus its discussions with the Governor and the Legislature on the content of a State Constitutional Amendment. The successful implementation of realignment in the County will largely depend on a State Constitutional Amendment and its provision for secure, adequate, and permanent funding as well as specific County protections.

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## WE THEREFORE MOVE THAT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS:

- 1. Instruct the Chief Executive Officer to continue working with the Brown Administration and the State Legislature to pursue Constitutional Protections that provides:
  - a) A guarantee of revenue that covers realigned program costs including current and reasonable growth for the first five years of realignment;
  - b) A guarantee of revenue for the realignment of programs for the sixth year and beyond that is at least equal to the revenue generated each year if the revenue sources from years 1-5 remained in effect, and continues uninterrupted;
  - c) A guarantee that the full increase in the cost of delivering a realigned program due to any State or Federal mandate, statewide judicial action, or the imposition of Federal penalties, be paid by the State for as long as counties have the responsibility for said realigned programs; and
  - d) A guarantee that if the State does not provide counties with revenue for realigned programs for the sixth year and beyond that is consistent with item b above, counties would be authorized to withhold that amount in property tax revenues.